2nd District E-Newsletter Supervisor Sequanna Taylor #makingithappeninthe2nd

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Dear Friends and Neighbors,

Summer is here, and here at the County Board we are working hard to preserve and improve the parks, playgrounds, and senior centers that our families enjoy and thrive in. Please fill out this brief community survey so I can best represent your County priorities as we head into the budget cycle.

Please check out my newsletter in its entirety and learn about the legislation I've sponsored as well as the fun, exciting events happening in our district.

For the month of August I am hosting neighborhood forums on financial wellness at the McGovern Senior Center from 5:30 to 7 pm every Tuesday. I invite you and your loved ones to attend. Its important to hear the voice of the community as we work to improve and strengthen our parks, facilities, neighborhoods and families, and I look forward to seeing many of you. Because of your valuable input, the County Board is able to create better budgets, better transit options, and better parks and events, and I am able to create legislation on your behalf. You will often see me knocking on doors to continue building relationships with our neighbors as we work together to move the 2nd District forward, and I welcome your input there, in my email inbox, and on the phone.



Supervisor Taylor Sworn in for Second Term, Elected 2nd Vice-Chair

On April 17, the Milwaukee County Board was sworn in for the 2018-2020 term. Past Supervisors were honored for their commitment to the County and service to the Board, and newly elected Supervisors were welcomed in a swearing in ceremony. Supervisor Theodore Lipscomb was elected Chairman of the Board, Supervisor Marcelia Nicholson was elected Vice-Chair, and Supervisor Taylor was elected 2nd Vice-Chair. This term Supervisor Taylor serves on two Board Committees. She chairs Intergovernmental Relations and sits on the Finance and Audit Committee. Click here to learn more about standing committees and when they meet.





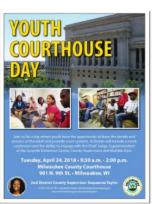




In the Community: Youth Day at the Courthouse













On April 24 Supervisor Taylor hosted her annual **Youth Courthouse Day** for students across the district. State Senator **LaTonya Johnson** and Representative **David Crowley** joined Supervisor Taylor and talked to students about how various levels of government work and interact. If you know a group who would like to schedule a courthouse tour or would like to join us for next year's Youth Courthouse Day, contact our office at Sequanna.taylor@milwaukeecountywi.gov and we will be happy to host you.

In the Community: Third Annual McGovern Park Night Out

Supervisor Taylor held her **Third Annual McGovern Park Night Out** June 12 and welcomed dozens of neighbors and volunteers from area organizations including **Havenwoods**, the **Hunger Task Force**, **Choice Neighborhoods Milwaukee**, the **Milwaukee Sheriff Department**, the **Urban Kickball League**, **MPS C.A.R.E.S**, **Milwaukee Rec.**, **PeppNation**, and more. **Erica Loftus** of the Milwaukee Youth Council hosted, and **DJ Gerald** provided the music. Thanks to everyone who came out. Fox 6 provided coverage of the event that you can see here.



In the Community: Juneteenth Day

The Milwaukee County Board participated in **Juneteenth Day** again this year. Supervisor Taylor injured her foot the day before, but it didn't keep her from participating—thanks to the parade ride graciously granted by our friends at the Milwaukee County Transit System! We had a great time connecting with all of our community partners, constituents, and friends.



Neighborhood Leaders: Friends of Brown Deer Park

Our office is so grateful for constituents and community leaders like **Jim Farmer** and **Rob Guilbert**, who lead the group **Friends of Brown Deer Park**. Park "Friends" groups are neighbors who partner with the county parks department to suggest and facilitate improvements and do maintenance that benefits all of our park users. Supervisor Taylor and Chairman Theodore Lipscomb caught up with Rob and Jim this August at the park and were impressed by all the wonderful work they're doing. If you see them at Brown Deer, please thank them for their work and ask how you can get involved!

Here are some pictures from our walk through. The landscaping and planting Rob and Jim completed around the Brown Deer Boat House is gorgeous. Check it out if you are in the area.



Legislation: Supervisor Taylor represents Milwaukee County at Annual NACo Conference









Supervisor Taylor attended NACO's annual conference and exhibition in Nashville this June. The National Association of Counties (NACo) unites America's 3,069 county governments. NACo brings county officials together to advocate with a collective voice on national policy, exchange ideas and build new leadership skills, pursue transformational county solutions, enrich the public's understanding of county government, and exercise exemplary leadership in public service. She was pleased to attend and bring back new knowledge that she is putting into action in our district!

Legislation: Supervisor Taylor Supports Keeping Refugee Families Together



Supervisor Ortiz-Velez introduced a resolution stating Milwaukee County's opposition to the President of the United States' "zero tolerance" immigration policy and the separation of children from their families. The resolution asks Wisconsin Governor Scott Walker to recall all National Guard troops dispatched to enforce the Trump Administration's "zero tolerance" immigration policy.

It was co-sponsored by Supervisors Steven Shea and Sequanna Taylor. The resolution was first presented to the Intergovernmental Relations Committee, which Supervisor Taylor chairs. It was then passed by the full County Board and was signed by the County Executive in July. News coverage is available here.

Legislation: Supervisor Taylor Stands with Public Workers, Teachers



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Supervisor Taylor Statement on Supreme Court Ruling

MLWAUKEE – Supervisor Sequanna Taylor released the following statement today regarding the Supreme Court ruling in Janus vs. AFSCME Council 31.

"The Janus decision that came down today is a direct attack from those billionaires and millionaires who think our kids and their right to a great public education is for sale. They continue to try to get rid of unions, continue to take public money from public education, and continue to try to dominate people.

"By diverting public money that we invest for public schools, health care, and infrastructure to corporate ventures that benefit primarily their own bank accounts, millionaires and billionaires continue to try to bury us - but they forget that we are seeds.

"Public educators will continue to grow, fight, and overcome—even in the face of direct attacks by the wealthy. Teaching is a career that we do not take lightly. As long as millionaires and billionaires attack public schools and their students, teachers will organize, grow, and fight for every child's right to learn in a robust, publicly supported setting.

"We will continue to galvanize. We will continue to advocate. We will continue to educate. And we will continue to fight for all students and their right to a great public education."

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Legislation: Your Opinion Matters! Take our Survey



Budget time is upon us in Milwaukee County. If you have opinions about County amenities like Parks, Buses, Paratransit, Beaches, or Senior Centers, **let us know today!** Take 5 minutes to fill out our brief survey to let us know what your County service and facility priorities are so I can represent you. Please also share the survey link with family and friends in the district so I can gather the opinions of as many constituents as possible. Thank you for sharing your thoughts!

Click HERE to take the Survey

Events: Financial Literacy Workshops at McGovern Senior Center



Milwaukee County Free Days

Enjoy FREE admission to Milwaukee County attractions!



Free the first Thursday of every month

Free for *all* visitors on the first Thursday of every month! Kids 12 and under free every day. Visit the <u>museum web site</u> for additional information.



Thank You Thursday from 9:00 a.m - 8:00 p.m.

Free general admission to MPM for *all* visitors on the first Thursday of every month.

Visit the museum web site for additional information.



Free on Mondays from 9:00 a.m. - Noon

Free admission for Milwaukee County residents with proof of residence. (Excludes major holidays).

Visit the **Domes web site** for additional information.



2018 Free Days

Free admission for *all* visitors October 6, November 3, December 1

Special Holidays Free Days

Free admission for Milwaukee County residents (requires proof of residence): Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day and New Year's Day. Visit the <u>zoo web site</u> for additional information.



Free First Tuesdays of Every Month May-October 2018

Free admission for Milwaukee County residents with proof of residence. Visit the Friends of Boerner Botanical Gardens Website for additional information.